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**For: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONFIGURING PROCESSING ENTITIES ACCORDING TO THEIR ROLES IN A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM WITH A DISTRIBUTED ARCHITECTURE**

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Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 16 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 4 Pages of Claims  
☒ 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ 1 A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation  
☒ Certified Copy of FRANCE Patent 02027753.9 dated December 11, 2002  
☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of \_\_\_\_\_ references  
☒ Preliminary Amendment

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